COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COST)
RECOVERY MECHANISM FOR LONG-TERM) ADMINISTRATIVE LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY) CASE NO. 374

ORDER

On April 27, 1998, the Commission ordered the major Kentucky incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs")¹ and ALLTEL Kentucky, Inc. to submit their estimated implementation costs and proposed cost recovery plans for long-term local number portability ("LNP"). Competitive local exchange carriers ("CLECs") providing or anticipating providing local service in the Louisville MSA whose switches would require upgrades to provide LNP were also ordered to submit cost estimates and proposed cost recovery plans.

On May 12, 1998, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") issued an order in CC Docket No. 95-116,² creating a federal mechanism for the identification and recovery of all costs incurred in providing LNP.³

¹ BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), GTE Communications Corporation, and Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company ("Cincinnati Bell").

² Telephone Number Portability, FCC Order 98-82.

³ Id. at paragraph 29.

Subsequently, BellSouth, Cincinnati Bell, and AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. filed motions to hold this docket in abeyance until all appeals of the FCC order, if any, have been exhausted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that this case shall be held in abeyance pending any decisions by an appellate court regarding the FCC's claim to exclusive jurisdiction over recovery of LNP implementation costs.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of June, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director